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News

Easier Off-campus Access: Off-campus access to the Libraries' electronic resources is now easier with the implementation of software that detects the IP address a patron is connected from. When a library patron connects from a non-OSU IP address and click a link to an electronic resource, the Libraries' "Off Campus Sign In" form will be offered. Free resources, such as government web sites, do not require users to sign-in.

Video tour of Thompson Library: Take a look at the progress of the Thompson Library renovation with Ellen Tressel and Director of Libraries Joe Branin. The segment was featured on a recent edition of "[Buckeye Football Weekly](#)," Coach Tressel's television series.

Red Cross Blood Drive, Friday, November 14, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Ackerman Library, Room 5826 (Conference Room, 2nd floor): This is part of the OSU-Michigan Blood Battle. All donors will be eligible to win a pair of tickets to The Game. And, as usual, the Michigan side in the Blood Battle will be counting donations from most of southern Michigan, and we don't want to reward their cheating ways with a victory. Please give! If you last gave on or before September 19, you are eligible to give again.

Sigma Tau Delta sponsoring "Books First" book drive November 3-7: Sigma Tau Delta International English Honors Society/OSU, is sponsoring "Books First!" (<http://www.booksfirst.org>), collecting new and gently used books for classrooms and libraries in under-resourced American K-12 schools.

- Boxes will be set up in the Denney Hall lobby and the Ackerman Library. There will also be a staffed table on the Oval each day next week.
- We are accepting new and gently used leisure reading books for kids in kindergarten through 12th grade
- We are also accepting donations on behalf of Books First: these can be either made at the booth on the oval, or given directly to me here in the business office.

Part of Sigma Tau Delta's aim is to promote literacy--plus this is a great way for people to make room on the shelves at home for a good cause!

Faculty Recognition Program Reception, November 19, 3:30-5 p.m.: University Libraries, the Office of Academic Affairs, and the Faculty Club will host the 6th annual Faculty Recognition Program reception at the Faculty Club Grand Lounge to honor all Ohio State University faculty granted tenure or promotion in 2008/09.

The 134 honorees include regular and clinical faculty from all OSU campuses. Faculty honorees have the opportunity to select a book or a bound journal volume from the University Libraries' collection to be book-plated in their name in recognition of their accomplishments. Books not owned will be purchased for the Libraries. Honorees are also invited to include a statement of why the book was significant to them. A commemorative program listing the honorees, books selected, and personal statements will be available at the reception and upon request and will become part of the University Libraries' Knowledge Bank. Selected books will be displayed at the reception and later at library location book displays.

The reception is open to the university community and guests. The Faculty Club is located at 181 S. Oval Drive, Columbus campus. There will be music and refreshments.

For details on the Faculty Recognition Program, contact [Marsha Hamilton](#) (247-7461) or Dana DeRose (247-8183).

“Bucks for Charity Drive” nearing goal: Pledges for Bucks for Charity now total \$11,936 - only \$3,064 to our goal for the Libraries of \$15,000! If you have not yet pledged a donation to the charity of your choice, please consider doing so now. There are many charities to choose from, and all need our help to continue their important work. All pledges are welcome, whether large or small. The resource guide can be found at: <http://hr.osu.edu/special/08resourceguide.pdf>.

Coordinators for the drive are: Laura Kissel, kissel.4@osu.edu, 688-8173 and Marilyn Willhoff, willhoff.1@osu.edu, 292-4241. Your completed pledge form needs to get to Marilyn by 5 p.m. on Thursday to be entered in this Friday's prize drawing. All names stay in the drawing for the entirety of the drive unless you win, so get those pledges in soon for the best chance to be a winner!

Training Opportunities

Digital Union Autumn Events

Thursday November 6, 9-11 am

Web Fundamentals I Workshop

Learning Collaboration Studio, 060 SEL basement

Register at: digitalunion.osu.edu/workshops

November 12

Microsoft in Education - Surface Table event

Details coming

Thursday November 13, 9-11 am

Web Fundamentals II Workshop

Learning Collaboration Studio, 060 SEL basement

Register at: digitalunion.osu.edu/workshops

Thursday November 13, 4-8 pm

World Usability Day – Topics in Transport

Learning Collaboration Studio, 060 SEL basement

Details coming

Wednesday November 19, 10-11:30 am

Survey of Survey Tools Workshop
Learning Collaboration Studio, 060 SEL basement
Register at: digitalunion.osu.edu/workshops

Wednesday November 19,

Personalized Learning Environments Event
Details coming

Monday November 24, 10-11:30 am

Mashups Workshop
Learning Collaboration Studio, 060 SEL basement
Register at: digitalunion.osu.edu/workshops

Tuesday December 2, 9-11 am

Second Life Workshop
Learning Collaboration Studio, 060 SEL basement
Register at: digitalunion.osu.edu/workshops

Thursday December 4,

Digital Union Podfest III Story Circle
Learning Collaboration Studio, 060 SEL basement

Monday December 15 - Wednesday December 17, 9 am – 4 pm

Digital Storytelling Intensive Workshop
Learning Collaboration Studio, 060 SEL basement
Application info: telr.osu.edu/storytelling

Thursday December 18 – Friday December 19, 9 am – 4 pm

Digital Union Podfest III
Learning Collaboration Studio, 060 SEL basement

- **Training Calendar:** <http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/training/calendars.html>.
- **Human Resources/Organization & HR Consulting Information:** <http://hr.osu.edu/ohrd/index.asp>
- **Meeting and Events Calendar:** Marilyn Willhoff maintains a calendar of all known events and regularly scheduled and special meetings for each month. The calendars are available on the Staff Information page under the first category of People, etc.; they can also be accessed directly at the following URL: <http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/comcal.html>

People

Dona Straley has taken on a new role: In addition to her work at OSUL, Dona has begun a 2-year appointment with OhioLINK as Statewide Library Depository Coordinator. Dona's role calls for her to assess the collections in the five state-supported depositories across Ohio. She will eventually make recommendations regarding duplicate copies, depository services, communications and potential expansion. OhioLINK has \$5.5 million in capital funding that could be used to expand depository space. Since assuming the post, Dona has been doing extensive reading on depository and collections issues and visiting the five depositories.



"So far, the work has been fascinating," Dona reports. "It isn't often that you get to work on something that you feel is really 'cutting edge,' but I really feel like this project is."

Although Dona has stepped back from her OSUL coordinating role during the next two years, she is continuing as specialist for both Persian and Turkish studies. You can still find Dona in her Ackerman office, her work site for both OSUL and OhioLINK.

Changes at Newark Library – Susan Scott, from Denison University, assumed the position of Library Director October 27. **John D. Crissinger** moves to Special Collections & Reference Librarian.

From Nancy O'Hanlon: We received the following email from Melissa Herman, one of two student winners of the Libraries Undergraduate Research Prize for 2008. Melissa also received funds from the Office of International Affairs and from private groups to support expenses for a trip to Kenya to complete research for her Honors thesis on maize production. In her report to OIA, she states that "Overall, this was an outstanding experience, as I was able to experience Kenya's rural culture as more of an insider and less as a tourist. I was able to create new relationships and build on previously established relationships, and I was able to greatly increase my knowledge and understanding of the local agricultural sector. All of this has greatly benefited my academic career and has helped prepare me as I begin to pursue a continued project at the graduate level."

Here is Melissa's message to the Libraries and a picture from her trip:

"I wanted to extend my sincerest gratitude for the lunch and scholarship I received from the University Library last spring for my research proposal. I greatly appreciate the effort that Ohio State's Library Services extends to helping students have the greatest access to information, and for the willingness and effort in helping students utilize that information to our greatest ability. The scholarship I received was very helpful with a few of my miscellaneous expenses during my trip to Kenya, as well as school expenses during the current school year. I hope that the research scholarship program can and will continue in the future, as I know it has multiple benefits for the students!"



Publications

Pam McClung, OSUL graphic designer, has had some of her artwork published in "The Encyclopedia of Greeting Card Tools and Techniques" by Susan Pickering Rothamel.

Marsha J. Hamilton, "Mercury and Water: Two Civil War Surgeons of the 148th Pennsylvania Volunteers," *Pennsylvania History: A Journal of Mid-Atlantic Studies*. Pennsylvania Historical Association, vol. 75, no. 4 (2008): 467-504.

Presentations

Tschera Connell gave an after-dinner presentation at the 60th anniversary of the founding of Beta Phi Mu, the International Honor Society for Library and Information Science, on October 24. The Diamond celebration was held at the University of Illinois, which is the alpha chapter of the honorary. The weekend celebrated both the founding of the society and honored Kathryn Luther Henderson, co-founder. Tschera's presentation, titled "It takes courage to stock taboos' *Library Journal* 1949," followed selected trends over the last 60 years in library literature using article titles and cartoons as illustrations.

Personnel *Provided by the OSU Libraries HR Department*

RESIGNATION

Science and Engineering Library – Perry Miller has resigned her position as Information Associate effective 11 November 2008.

APPOINTMENTS

FACULTY

Health Sciences Library – Stephanie Schulte has accepted the position of Assistant Professor (Education and Reference Services Coordinator) – 100% FTE – effective 17 November 2008 - New Position

VACANCIES

STAFF

Health Sciences Library – Library Media Technical Assistant (Document Delivery Specialist) – 50% FTE – New Position

Science and Engineering Library – Information Associate – 100% FTE – replacing Miller – 1st listing: *This position is intended to replace Perry Miller, who works nights in SEL. Only internal-to-the-libraries employees will be considered for the position. If interested, please apply on line at: <http://jobs.osu.edu/> Contact Tony Maniaci for further information.*

To comply with University procedures, employees applying for listed vacancies must complete a Promotion/Transfer Request (form 8931, Rev 9/97) during the week of the first listing of the vacancy in the University Personnel Posting (green sheet). To ensure awareness of all vacancies which have been posted, applicants should consult the weekly green sheet rather than relying on the listing in NEWS NOTES Online and are encouraged to attach a resume and/or other supporting documents to the form. Prospective faculty and staff applicants who are absent during the 5-day posting period and wish to apply should see Toni Morrison-Smith.

Library personnel can also review university employment opportunities at:
<https://www.jobsatosu.com/applicants/jsp/shared/frameset/Frameset.jsp?time=1206709374977>

You are invited!

To the OSUL 2013 Visioning Implementation Community Kickoff Meeting

This is Phase-II of the visioning process and will last until May 2009.

We will be creating an action plan and time line for change based on the work done in the OSUL2013 Task Forces over the summer.

The Implementation Team needs your expertise and your perspective for this planning process.

This group will meet monthly to inform and participate in the planning process and participation is at your discretion.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2008

3:00 TO 5:00 PM.

5826 ACKERMAN LIBRARY*

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**For more info on Implementation Team & Community
go to:**

<https://carmenwiki.osu.edu/display/libraries/About+the+Implementation+Team+and+Community>

Exhibits

Sam Milai of the Pittsburgh Courier

[Cartoon Research Library](#) Reading Room Gallery
Through December 31

Sam Milai (March 23, 1908-April 30, 1970) was an artist and cartoonist for the Pittsburgh Courier, an influential African American newspaper, for 33 years. He was a centrist who disdained all forms of extremism. Unfortunately, much of Milai's original work was destroyed in a fire. The cartoons in this exhibition were found by his granddaughter in a suitcase in her mother's attic and donated to the Cartoon Research Library. The Sam Milai collection also includes correspondence, clippings and photographs related to Milai.

"Sam Milai of the *Pittsburgh Courier*" documents Milai's mature work during the last seven years of his life. Reading these cartoons from the perspective of almost four decades later, we sense both the hopes and the frustrations that the African American community experienced during the 1960s.



Milai was loyal to Lyndon Johnson, and some of his pro-Johnson cartoons are housed in the Lyndon B. Johnson Presidential Library. He won the National Newspaper Publisher's Association Russwurm trophy for the best cartoon eight times during his career. In addition to his editorial cartoons, Milai created a series titled *Facts about the Negro* that celebrated the accomplishments of people of color. During the late 1930s, he also contributed a comic strip to the newspaper. He taught part time at Pittsburgh's Ivey School of Professional Art from 1964-1967 and was teaching full-time at the Pittsburgh Art Institute at the time of his death.